Reply to Office Action of January 7, 2010

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-4 (Canceled)

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): An aluminum alloy consisting of 13-25% by mass of

silicon, 2-8% by mass of copper, 0.5-3% by mass of iron, [[1]] 1.2-3% by mass of

manganese, 1- [[6]] 3% by mass of nickel, 0.001-0.02% by mass of phosphorus, and the

remainder, which consists of aluminum and inevitable impurities, wherein the total amount of

iron [[,]] and manganese and nickel is 3.0% by mass or greater, said aluminum alloy having a

Young's modulus of 90 GPa or more and a coefficient of linear thermal expansion of

 $18x10^{-6}$ /°C or less.

Claim 6 (Canceled)

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): An aluminum alloy consisting of 13-25% by mass of

silicon; 2-8% by mass of copper; 0.5-3% by mass of iron; [[1]] 1.2-3% by mass of

manganese; 1- [[6]] 3% by mass of nickel; 0.001-0.02% by mass of phosphorus; one or more

of 0.1-1.0% by mass of chromium, 0.01-1.0% by mass of titanium, 0.0001-1.0% by mass of

boron, 0.1-1.0% by mass of zirconium, 0.1-1.0% by mass of vanadium, and 0.01-1.0% by

mass of molybdenum; and the remainder, which consists of aluminum and inevitable

impurities, wherein the total amount of iron [[,]] and manganese and nickel is 3.0% by mass

or greater, said aluminum alloy having a Young's modulus of 90 GPa or more and a

coefficient of linear thermal expansion of 18x10⁻⁶/°C or less.

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Claim 8 (Currently Amended): An aluminum alloy consisting of 13-25% by mass of silicon; 2-8% by mass of copper; 0.5-3% by mass of iron; [[1]] 1.2-3 % by mass of manganese; 0.5-6% by mass of nickel; 0.001-0.02% by mass of phosphorus; 0.1-1.0% by mass of chromium; and the remainder, which consists of aluminum and inevitable impurities, wherein the total amount of iron [[,]] and manganese and nickel is 3.0% by mass or greater, said aluminum alloy having a Young's modulus of 90 GPa or more and a coefficient of linear thermal expansion of 18x10⁻⁶/°C or less.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): An aluminum alloy consisting of 13-25% by mass of silicon; 2-8% by mass of copper; 0.5-3% by mass of iron; 1-3% by mass of manganese; 0.5-6% by mass of nickel; 0.001-0.02% by mass of phosphorus; 0.1-1.0% by mass of chromium; one or more of 0.01-1.0% by mass of titanium, 0.0001-1.0% by mass of boron, 0.1-1.0% by mass or zirconium, 0.1-1.0% by mass of vanadium, and 0.01-1.0% by mass of molybdenum; and the remainder, which consists of aluminum and inevitable impurities, wherein the total amount of iron [[,]] and manganese and nickel is 3.0% by mass or greater, said aluminum alloy having a Young's modulus of 90 GPa or more and a coefficient of linear thermal expansion of $18x10^{-6}$ °C or less.

Claim 10-13 (Canceled)

Claim 14 (Previously Presented): The aluminum alloy according to Claim 9, wherein the amount of manganese is 1.2-3% by mass.

Claims 15-17 (Canceled)

Claim 18 (Previously Presented): The aluminum alloy according to Claim 9, wherein the amount of manganese is 1.2-3% by mass and the amount of nickel is 1-6% by mass.

Claims 19-20 (Canceled)

Claim 21 (Previously Presented): The aluminum alloy according to Claim 8, wherein the amount of nickel is 1-6% by mass.

Claim 22 (Previously Presented): The aluminum alloy according to Claim 9, wherein the amount of nickel is 1-6% by mass.

Claims 23-24 (Canceled)

Claim 25 (Previously Presented): The aluminum alloy according to Claim 8, wherein the amount of nickel is 3-6% by mass.

Claim 26 (Previously Presented): The aluminum alloy according to Claim 9, wherein the amount of nickel is 3-6% by mass.

Claim 27 (Previously Presented): The aluminum alloy according to Claim 5, wherein said aluminum alloy has a Young's modulus of 92 GPa or more.

Claim 28 (Previously Presented): The aluminum alloy according to Claim 7, wherein said aluminum alloy has a Young's modulus of 92 GPa or more.

Claim 29 (Previously Presented): The aluminum alloy according to Claim 8, wherein said aluminum alloy has a Young's modulus of 92 GPa or more.

Claim 30 (Previously Presented): The aluminum alloy according to Claim 9, wherein said aluminum alloy has a Young's modulus of 92 GPa or more.

Claim 31 (New): The aluminum alloy according to Claim 9, wherein titanium is in the aluminum alloy in an amount in a range of from 0.4-1.0% by mass.

Claim 32 (New): The aluminum alloy according to Claim 5, wherein the amount of manganese is 2-3% by mass.

Claim 33 (New): The aluminum alloy according to Claim 7, wherein the amount of manganese is 2-3% by mass.

Claim 34 (New): The aluminum alloy according to Claim 5, wherein the total amount of iron and manganese is 3.7% by mass or greater.

Claim 35 (New): The aluminum alloy according to Claim 7, wherein the total amount of iron and manganese is 3.7% by mass or greater.